GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3109
ANSWERED ON:19.03.2001
REVENUE SHARING REGIME
V. SAROJA

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the percentage of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Lmited(BSNL) share in revenue sharing regime is very less as compared to private operators;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether undue favour has been shown to any private operator in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) No, Sir. Government has accepted the recommendation of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India(TRAI) for subjecting Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL) to the same licnece fee by way of revenue share i.e., @ 12%, 10% and 8% respectively of the Annual Gross Revenue for the three categories of Telecom Circles `A`, `B` & `C` so as to ensure a level playing field vis-Ã -vis the private operators.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) No, Sir. Equal treatment is being meted out to all operators and there is no question of undue favour to anyone in this regard.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.